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SUBJ: ENERGY: GOTT READIES MISSION TO OIL PRODUCING COUNTRIES

REF: POS 1663, DECEMBER 21, 1973; POS 147; POS 155

1. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS, THE GOTT HAS NAMED THE MEMBERS

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OF ITS MISSION TO OIL PRODUCING COUNTRIES (REFTELS). THE
GROUP CONSISTS SOLELY OF SENIOR CIVIL SERVANTS AND IS EXPECTED

TO DEPART TRINIDAD IN FEBRUARY. THE PRINCIPAL OBJECTIVES OF THE MISSION ARE REPORTED TO BE A DISCUSSION OF EXPECTED FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS IN PRODUCING COUNTRIES VIS-A-VIS PARTICIPATION OR INVESTMENT IN DOWNSTREAM OPERATIONS IN PRODUCING OR CONSUMING COUNTRIES; INVESTIGATION OF THE POSSIBILITY OF JOINT VENTURES BETWEEN TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO AND MIDDLE EAST OR NORTH AFRICAN NATIONS TO BUILD A REFINERY OR PETROCHEMICAL INSTALLATIONS IN TRINIDAD; AND THE QUESTION OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO'S MEMBERSHIP IN OPEC. OTHER OBJECTIVES INCLUDE DISCUSSIONS OF POSSIBLE PRODUCER-CONSUMER COOPERATION IN ENERGY AND OTHER COMMODITIES INCLUDING EXAMINATION OF THE TERMS OF TRADE; MEASURES TO ASSIST DEVELOPING THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES REGARDING THE EFFECT OF HIGHER OIL PRICES ON THEIR BALANCE OF PAYMENTS (A MATTER TERMED "OF SPECIAL IMPORTANCE" TO THE GOTT INTO VIEW OF ITS CARIBBEAN NEIGHBORS); DISCUSSION OF TRINIDAD'S NATIONAL PETROLEUM COMPANY (A LOCAL DISTRIBUTION OPERATION); AND IMPROVEMENT OF AIR AND SEA COMMUNICATION BETWEEN TRINIDAD AND WEST AFRICA, NORTH AFRICA AND THE MIDDLE EAST.

2. THE GOTT MISSION WILL BE LED BY J. O'NEIL LEWIS, TRINIDAD AMBASSADOR IN BRUSSELS, AND WILL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING: DODDRIDGE ALLEYNE, PERMANENT SECRETARY TO THE PRIME MINISTER; HAROLD FRASER, COMMISSIONER OF INLAND REVENUE AND MEMBER OF THE NEWLY-FORMED GOTT OIL SECRETARIAT; GEORGE LEGALL, PERMANENT SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND MINES; AND THREE GOTT DIPLOMATS, LINGTON CUMBERBATCH (GENEVA), ANTHONY SABGA-ABOUD (BEIRUT), AND JOHN DONALDSON (LAGOS).

3. THIS EMBASSY WILL APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION INFO ADDRESSES IN PRODUCER NATIONS MAY BE ABLE TO ELICIT REGARDING OBJECTIVES OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE GOTT MISSION.
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